

INFORMATION FOR PERSONS REGISTERED UNDER DRAFT LAW AND WHO ARE LIABLE

The War Department has issued the following bulletin of information for persons registered:

Local Boards—In every county in the United States, and for every city of over 30,000 there are one or more local exemption boards. Each of such boards is in charge of the registration cards of persons registered in the area over which the board has jurisdiction, and has jurisdiction of all claims for exemption except those based on industrial grounds. Find out what board has your card and where the office of the board is.

District Boards—In every federal judicial district there are one or more district boards having appellate jurisdiction over a number of local boards and having original jurisdiction of claims for exemption on industrial grounds. If you intend to make a claim on industrial grounds, including agriculture, learn what district board to apply to.

Red-Ink Serial Numbers—Every board has numbered the cards in its jurisdiction with red ink in a series running from one to the number representing the total number of cards in its jurisdiction. Lists showing the names of persons in the jurisdiction of each board and the red ink number of each card are open to inspection at the office of each board.

Inspect the list and inform yourself of your red-ink serial number.

Order of Liability—These red-ink numbers are to be drawn by lot to determine the order in which registered persons are to be called by the various local boards. As soon as the drawing is complete lists showing the order in which these red ink numbers are drawn will be posted at the office of each local board.

Go to your local board and find out under which you stand for now.

Call for Examination—As soon as cards are assigned to each state and each board, each board will call upon persons whose cards are in its jurisdiction instructing them to present themselves for examination. This call will be posted at the office of the local board, and papers will be requested to print it. A notice will also be mailed you but the posting of the list at the office of the board will be deemed sufficient notice to charge you with the duty of presenting yourself. The board therefore makes it your duty to inform yourself when you are called. The mailing is for your convenience, but if the letter never reaches you, you cannot make that an excuse.

Watch the lists at the office of your board and see when you are called for examination.

Physical Examination—You must report for physical examination on the day named in your call.

(a) If you are found physically disqualified the board will give you a certificate which will explain to you what your further duties are.

(b) If you are found physically qualified and file a claim for exemption within seven days after your call you will be given ten days after filing your claim of exemption to file proof in support of your claim of exemption. See (VII) below.

(c) If you are found physically qualified and file no claim for exemption, or if you do not appear for physical examination, your name will be posted to the district board as one who was called for military service and was not discharged. On the eighth day after call, or within two days thereafter, copies of the list of persons so posted to the district boards will be given to the press with a request for publication, will be posted in a place at the office of the local board accessible to the public view, and notice will be mailed to you at the address on your registration card.

Therefore, watch the notices posted in the office of the local board about ten days after the day you were called and make arrangements for the prompt receipt of mail.

Seven days to file claims of exemption or discharge.—(Except for industrial or agricultural reasons.)

Note:

(a) No claim of discharge on account of the industry in which you are engaged can be decided by a local board.

(b) Whether you file a claim of exemption or not you must present yourself for physical examination on the day named in the notice.

From the day notice that you are called is mailed and posted you have

seven days in which you may file a claim of exemption or discharge. The form of filing this claim is simple. If you wish to file such a claim—

(a) Go to the board and get Form 110 for exemption or form 121 for discharge. If the board has not the printed forms ask to consult the form pamphlet and copy the form shown there.

(b) Fill out the proper form and file it with the board.

(c) Do this within seven days of the posting and mailing of notice to you to present yourself.

The following are the only grounds for exemption:

1. That you are an officer, legislative, executive, or judicial of the United States, a state or territory, or the District of Columbia.

2. That you are a regular or duly ordained minister of religion.

3. That you were on May 18, 1917, a student preparing for the ministry in any recognized theological or divinity school.

4. That you are in the military or naval service of the United States.

5. That you are a subject of Germany, whether you have taken out papers or not.

6. That you are a resident alien who has not taken out first papers.

In addition to claims for exemption, claims for discharge may be made on any of the following grounds, which are the only grounds for discharge by a local board:

1. That you are a county or municipal officer.

2. That you are a custom house clerk.

3. That you are employed by the United States in the transmission of mails.

4. That you are an artificer or workman employed in an armory, arsenal or navy yard of the United States.

5. That you are employed in the service of the United States (under certain conditions). See paragraph (e) of section 20, Regulations.

6. That you are a licensed pilot, regularly employed in the pursuit of your vocation.

7. That you are a mariner actually employed in the sea service of any citizen or merchant within the United States.

8. That you are a married man with a wife or child dependent on you for support.

9. That you have a widowed mother dependent on your labor for support.

10. That you have aged or infirm parents dependent on your labor for support.

11. That you are the father of a motherless child under 16 dependent upon your labor for support.

12. That you are a brother of an orphan child or children under 16 dependent on your labor for support.

13. That you are a member of any well recognized religious sect or organization organized and existent on May 18, 1917, and whose then existing creed or principles forbade its members to participate in war in any form and whose religious convictions are against war or participation therein in accordance with the creed or principles of said religious organization.

These are the only grounds for exemption or discharge by a local board. Another person can file a claim in your behalf, but must use different forms in filing the claim.

Ten days after filing claim to file proof—Your claim of exemption or discharge must be filed within seven days of the day on which notice to you that you are called was posted, and mailed. But after you have filed your claim for exemption or discharge you have ten days within which to file proof.

The method of proving claims is very simple, but it is rather exact. If you follow the rules given below you will have done what is required of you.

First. Go to the local board and consult the regulations to find out the form number of the affidavits that you must submit for your particular claim.

Second. Ask the board for the blank affidavits that are necessary in presenting your proof; if the board has not the forms, ask to consult the pamphlet of forms.

Third. Have the affidavits properly accomplished and return them to the board within the time limit assigned you—10 days from the filing of

your claim.

Remember:
(a) You must submit your proof in the prescribed form and the board has no authority to exempt or discharge you unless you submit all the affidavits required by the regulations.

(b) There will be no argument before the board and no proof other than the prescribed affidavits, unless the board calls for other proof, which it will do in only a limited number of cases.

When claims are decided—Every claim for discharge or exemption will be decided by the local board within three days after your affidavits have been filed.

Certificate of exemption or discharge—If your claim is allowed a certificate of exemption or discharge will be issued to you.

Remember:
(a) This certificate may be recalled at any time.

(b) If it is temporary or conditional, it becomes of no effect when the time of the conditions named are fulfilled.

(c) You have been drawn for military service and when the condition that has postponed your posting to the colors ceases you may be recalled at any time.

(b) Remember that your case may still be appealed and on this appeal to the district board your certificate may be withdrawn at once. When so withdrawn, you stand precisely as though you had been selected for military service by the local board.

Adverse decisions on claim—If your claim is disallowed by the local board your name will be certified and sent by the local board to the district board as one who has been called for military service and not exempted or discharged. Within two days thereafter, if practicable, a list of those so certified to the district board will be given to the press, with a request for publication, will be posted in the offices of the local board accessible to the public view, and notice will be mailed to the address on your registration card.

Therefore, if you have filed a claim for exemption and proof in support thereof, watch the notices in the offices of the local board, beginning about five days after you have filed your proof, to see what disposition was made of your case and make arrangements for the prompt receipt of mail.

How to claim appeals to district boards—Claims of appeal may be made by person within 10 days after the day when notice has been posted and mailed that such person's name has been certified to the district board as one who has been called for service and not exempted or discharged.

1. Go to the local board and get or copy Form 153 or 154 for filing your claim of appeal.

2. Get or copy also Form 151 or 152 for notifying the district board of appeal.

3. File your claim of appeal (153 or 154) with the local board.

4. Send your notice of appeal (Form 151 or 152) to the district board.

5. Do this within 10 days from the day when notice that your name was certified to the district board was posted and mailed.

Remember:

1. You can only appeal the final order of the board exempting or discharging you. You cannot appeal other order or action of the local board.

Proving your appeal—You have five days after the district board receives your notice that you have filed a claim of appeal in which to file evidence additional to that filed by you in the local board, but all such evidence must consist of affidavits.

Decisions on appeal—The decision on your appeal must be made within five days of the closing of proof, and you will be notified by mail of the action of the board on your appeal.

Claims for discharge on industrial grounds—Only the district board can receive claims for discharge on the ground that you are engaged in industry, including agriculture found to be necessary to the maintenance of the military establishment, the effective operation of the military forces, or the maintenance of national interest during the emergency.

Such claims must be filed with the district board on or before the fifth day after the mailing and posting of notice that you have been certified by the local board as one who has been called for service and not exempted or discharged.

If you desire to file such a claim:

1. Get or copy at the local or district board Form 161 or 161a.

2. File it with the district board

within five days after the mailing and posting of notice that your name has been certified from the local board to the district board.

See section 44, Regulations.
Proof in support of industrial claim—Only affidavits can be used in filing proof before the district board of a claim for exemption on industrial grounds. All such affidavits must be filed within five days after the filing of the claim.

Decisions of district board on industrial claim—Within five days after the closing of proof in any industrial claim, the district board must decide the claim.

If the decision of the district board is in favor of the claim the board will issue a certificate of discharge. If the decision is against the claim the district board will so notify you.

Remember that you have been called for military service and that the certificate of the district board is only conditional on your remaining in the kind of industrial service on account of which you were discharged. No such exemption shall continue when a cause therefore no longer exists and your certificate of discharge may be withdrawn or modified by the district board shall determine that the circumstances require it.

Appeals of industrial claims to the president—Only decisions of the district boards on industrial claims for discharge can be appealed.

If you desire to appeal the decision of the district board to the president, you may do so within seven days of the date of mailing to you of the decision of the district board. To perfect your appeal:

1. Get or copy from the district or local board Form 163.

2. Fill out the form and file it with the district board.

3. Do this within seven days after the mailing of notice to you of the decision of the district board in your case.

How you will be notified that you have been selected for military service—As soon as your case is finally disposed of, the postmaster general of your state will notify you by mail that you have been selected for military service.

Your local boards will post a list of all persons selected for military service in a place at the office of the local boards accessible to public view. The local boards will also give lists of persons selected for military service to the press, with requests for publication.

Notice that you have been selected for military service will not necessarily order you to service.

The notices report for military service will be when the government is ready to receive you.

E. H. CROWDER,
Post Marshal General.

CECILIAN CHORAL CLUB WILL PRESENT "BULBUL"

The Cecilian Choral Club is rehearsing each night for the comic operetta, "Bulbul," which will be presented in the High School auditorium Tuesday night, July 31, and keen interest is being shown by both the members of the club and the public generally.

This operetta embodies a love story of the Royal Court, set to beautiful and inspiring music, sung by six principals and supported by a large chorus, composed of local talent, of which Lexington is justly proud of being the equal of any small town in the State.

Indications are that a capacity house will be drawn to, as already reservations are being asked for by parties from Columbia and nearby towns.

A small admission price will be charged at the door, the proceeds of which will go toward the building of a public auditorium for Lexington.

The performers are being trained by Mrs. E. J. Rof and Miss Ruth Efrid, who urge the public that a real treat is in store for all who attend this operetta.

BOLL WORMS IN LEXINGTON.

Mr. Wm. For a prominent farmer from Leesville, brought to the District office one day last week several bolls of cotton that had been attacked by some kind of an insect. Mr. For also brought several insects with him, and judging from the pictures and descriptions of the boll worms on his weevil, Mr. For says they are playing havoc with Taylor's cotton. It attacks the boll, going into and destroying the

Services are being given in St. Stephen's church, by the Pastor

LEXINGTON SOCIETY ENJOYS BRILLIANT DANCE.

The dance given in the hall upstairs over The Harmon Drug Company's new store Friday night was indeed a delightful affair. A large number of young folk from Lexington and surrounding towns were present, and tripped the light fantastic until the "wee sma" hours of morn. The music was furnished by Comstock's orchestra of Columbia and the order of dancing was one step, waltz, fox-trot. Everybody present had a good time and regretted for the time to come when the orchestra played "Home Sweet Home," as was shown by repeated encores.

The out of town visitors were: Miss Krulien Smoak, St. Matthews; Miss Emma Bodie, Constance Cullum, Annie Rutland, Mary Elizabeth Whitten, Matilda Cook, Hazel Eubanks and Marie Shumpert, Batesburg; Dorothy Miller, Abbeville; Sarah Jackson, Rebecca McCabe, Helen Perry, Mary Galloway, and Lula May Harman, of Columbia; Messrs. Henry Wienges, Phillip Fairy, St. Matthews; Jule Cooner, Curtis Cullum, J. B. Hartley, Edwin Rawl, Branch Whitten, Nick Cooner, Zack Cook, J. B. Edwards and Wilbur Cook Batesburg; Ed. Roberts, Bill Harth, J. J. Hope, B. Collins James Hope, Archie Willis and Wise, of Columbia.

BAPTIST UNION MEETING

The upper division of the Lexington Baptist Association will hold its Union meeting with the Lewiedale Baptist church, Gilbert, on Saturday and Sunday of this week. Following is the programme:

10 to 10:30, Saturday, Devotional services.

10:30 to 11.—Organization and enrollment.

11 to 11:30.—The Object of the Union Meeting, by Rev. H. B. Jones.

11:30 to 12:30, Sermon by the Rev. H. B. Jones.

12:30 to 2:00, Recess.

2 to 2:30, "How to Stimulate the Spiritual Life in the Church," by O. W. Crowder.

2:30 to 3, "The One Great Object of the Church," by S. R. Taylor.

3 to 3:30, "The Relation of the Pastor and Deacon to the Church," by J. E. Pasco.

3:30, Short Talks on Church Efficiency.

Adjournment.

Sunday, 10 to 11, Sunday School.

11 to 11:30, "The Relation of the Sunday School to the Church, and How to Prepare and Teach the Lesson," by the Rev. Hasford B. Jones.

11:30 to 12, "What is the Best Method of Training Our Churches in Giving for Missions?" by Henry Westmoreland.

12, The Missionary Sermon by Rev. J. H. Strickland.

1 to adjournment short talks on Missions.

BIG DAY PLANNED FOR CENTRE.

The annual farmers rally at Centre School House, Saturday, August 4th, promises to be the biggest and best ever held. The local promoters are receiving encouragement on every hand and if good weather prevails the indications are that there will be a record-breaking crowd.

The exhibits of cattle and hogs, as usual, will be one of the chief attractions and Mr. B. Harris, ex-president of the State Farmers' Union, will be present and give to the best exhibitor a fine thoroughbred calf.

Following speakers will be present and deliver addresses: F. H. Hyatt, of Columbia; T. C. Sturkie, T. C. Callison and B. J. Wingard, of Lexington; B. Harris, of Pendleton, and Col. E. J. Watson, commissioner of agriculture of South Carolina.

A picnic dinner will be served on the grounds, and the public is cordially invited to attend.

CANNING GIRLS TO MEET AT OAK GROVE.

There will be a public meeting of Girls' Canning and Ladies' Home Demonstration Clubs of Lexington county at Oak Grove School House, Tuesday, July 31.

The day will be spent in canning, pickling, preserving, etc. We will also have demonstrations in bread making.

There will be specialists from Winthrop College demonstrating at this meeting; and the public is invited to attend.

There will be a similar meeting at Mack's School House on Wednesday, August 1.

LEILA A. FULMER,
County Demonstration Agent.

MULDROW'S POND CLAIMS LIVES OF TWO YOUNG GIRLS

Mises Haynesworth of Sumter Drown While Bathing in Mill Pond. Florence, July 25.—Misses Rita and Jessie Haynesworth, two young girls from Sumter, daughters of Mrs. R. F. Haynesworth, were drowned in Muldrow's mill pond today. The tragedy occurred a little after 11 o'clock. Miss Evelyn Barnes came near losing her life, but was rescued by Matt McCown. Both bodies have been recovered. They were taken to the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Barnes, where the coroner will hold an inquest.

The Misses Haynesworth were cousins of L. T. Barnes, and were on a visit. Miss Rita Haynesworth was 15 years old and Miss Jessie Haynesworth 13. This morning, with Miss Evelyn Barnes and Matt McCown the young ladies went out to the home of Morton Muldrow, also a cousin, to spend the day. They went down to the mill race shortly after they arrived at the house, to go in bathing, and had been bathing for an hour or more when they inadvertently slipped into water over their depth. Miss Barnes was seen rushing to their rescue, and all three of the girls were swept off their feet into the swiftly rushing water of the mill race. Messrs McCown and Muldrow were sitting on the bank opposite the spot where the girls were bathing and across the stream from them and as soon as they saw what the girls were in trouble they ran to their rescue.

Mr. McCown jumped from the bridge into the water and was successful in saving Miss Barnes Morton Muldrow having thrown him a fishing cane which he grasped. Immediately he jumped into the water again and swam toward the other girls, who were being borne down stream, but they sank before he could catch them. Mr. Muldrow states that he gave the young ladies repeated warnings to stay in the water near the bank, which was about two feet deep. The channel of the race shelves suddenly, and the girls, forgetful of the danger in their pursuit of pleasure, ventured too far out.

The body of Miss Rita Haynesworth was the first found. She had been in the water for over an hour, however, and though everything was done, it was impossible to resuscitate her. The body of Miss Jessie Haynesworth was found about 2:30 o'clock.

The girls had been spending a while with Mrs. Barnes on West Palmetto Street and had made many friends here.

The bodies will be taken to Sumter tonight for the funeral there tomorrow.

INTERESTING SPICY NEWS FROM GROWING PELION.

Pelion, July 24.—Pelion and vicinity was visited by a brisk storm on Tuesday afternoon. Several stove flues were blown down and trees were uprooted. The residence owned by Mrs. Fort and occupied by Magistrate J. P. Spires, was struck by lightning. Only slight damage was done to the building. Mr. and Mrs. Spires were not at home at the time.

A large number of folks from here attended the funeral of Mrs. Catherine Younginer at Florence church on Saturday.

A Sunday School has been organized at Holy Trinity Lutheran church, with the following officers and teachers: J. D. Haltiwanger, superintendent; J. D. Shumpert, assistant; Arthur Fort, secretary and treasurer; Bible class teacher, C. A. Shumpert; junior class teacher, Miss Rean Fort; teacher for the infant class, Mrs. L. H. Fort.

J. H. Laird and family visited relatives in Georgia last week, making the trip in their Ford.

Rev. Thos. H. Cupstid and daughter have been visiting relatives in and around Pelion.

Miss Bertha Laird has returned from a visit to friends near Woodford. Revival services will begin at the Pelion Methodist church on next Sunday, and at the Baptist church the first Sunday in August.

Mrs. J. C. Fort and family spent Tuesday in Columbia.

Kenneth Kneec made a business trip to Columbia Saturday.

Miss Viola and Thelma Shumpert and Percy Shumpert visited friends at Pond Branch Sunday.

Miss Carrie Bell Schofield was in Pelion Saturday. She will teach in the Wagener school next year.

Misses Carrie Lorick and Leila Bell Geiger are at home from Swanson, where they have been spending a few days with Mrs. A. J. Ruff.